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MR. CLEVELAND'S BITTER PILL.

Here is the way the Spokesman Review speaks of President Cleveland and the prospective revenue bill he may be called upon to sign:

The republican congress is going to pass a revenue bill up to President Cleveland. Will he sign it? After calling for help in his financial dilemma, and the republicans having tossed him a life buoy, will he accept the tender, or will he go on clamoring for another kind of help, knowing, as we must know, that the republican party is not going to follow the dictation of one who is chiefly responsible for the prevailing distress? The help which the republicans will extend to Mr. Cleveland will carry a restoration of the duty on wool. Now, Mr. Cleveland has been especially severe in his denunciation of the wool tariff. He has sent message after message to congress expatiating on the delights of free wool, and denouncing the protection which aims at higher priced clothing. It will be hard for him to swallow so many messages of the past, but his troubles are great, and desperate men cannot stick too close to pride.

Mr. Cleveland is not to be allowed to dictate the legislation to be passed by the republican congress. The republicans propose to do their duty and give him a bill that will ease the strain and restore the solvency of the treasury. The president must take it, or accept the consequences. It will be that or nothing.

If Mr. Cleveland should conclude not to veto the proposed revenue bill, he would have democratic precedent to justify his action. The tariff bill of 1842 was signed by President Tyler, and the Morrill tariff bill received the signature of President Buchanan. Then, as now, the administration was confronted by a condition, and not a theory, and the existing condition is sufficiently troublesome to give Mr. Cleveland deep concern. His position is not enviable, but he has made it.

GENERAL MILES' VIEWS.

The talk in this country about war between America and England over the Venezuela question is having a most salutary effect in calling attention to the condition of the military and naval forces of the United States. The people of the United States—statesmen and common folk—have been so engrossed with matters of business and politics that the military progress of the country has fallen far behind the advance in other lines of national greatness. Now, when there is a possibility of war, attention is directed to our army, navy and coast defenses. Not only in unofficial, but also in official circles, is the deficiency of our means of defense and aggression openly commented upon, as the following statement from General Miles will show:

"I have returned from an inspection tour of the southern coasts and, like those of other sections of the country, I find them in an entirely defenseless condition. If war should break out at present all we have in the south, or in fact, anywhere else, with a few exceptions, will be a lot of obsolete guns on rotten carriages, which would fall over before they could be of any service. The country is in a deplorable condition for defense. There are only three modern guns in position in this country. Two of these are at the entrance to New York harbor and the third at San Francisco. If congress will make a liberal appropriation, therefor the coast could be put in condition for defense in about two years. The work would cost about \$80,000,000. It would take in the neighborhood of a year to manufacture the tools necessary for the construction of the guns, and another year for the manufacture of the guns themselves."

OREGON'S GOLD YIELD.

The following is given as Oregon's gold yield by counties for 1894: Baker, \$447,985.72; Benton, \$2,045; Coos, \$106,353.77; Crook, \$1,050; Curry, \$8,800; Douglas, \$70,879.38; Grant, \$128,583.09; Harney, \$1,500; Jackson, \$167,646; Josephine, \$143,676.61; Lane, \$22,500; Linn, \$2,000; Malheur, 13,500; Marion, \$982.27; Union, \$1,059,070; total, \$5,213,356.42.

FROM NEAR AT HAND.

Goldendale Sentinel: Smith, Dustin, Presby, Brooks, Spalding, Maddock,

Darch and VanVactor would like to be the next judge of Klickitat county, so Dame Rumor informs us. In the words of the celebrated Thomas Lynch, the tonsorial artist, "Next."

Antelope Herald: Stockmen inform us that grass on the range has been growing considerably since the snow and rain have set in. This is a much better condition of affairs than was expected, and we hope an open winter will be experienced this year. Nearly all the sheepmen in this section, however, are supplied with enough hay to feed their bands for sixty or seventy days, and it is hardly probable this amount of feeding will be required.

Moro Observer: The Arlington movement for an open Columbia, regardless of the immaculate Bd. of U. S. Engineer, is assuming definite shape. Information is somewhat meager, coming from "a passenger from The Dalles," but the scheme is to call for a subsidy from counties along the river. Sherman is expected to put up \$25,000. No names are mentioned in connection with the scheme, which produces in this office a mistrust as to the efficiency of the purpose.

A meeting of the schoolboard was held this morning at which were present Directors Doane, Kinersly and Adams. The meeting was called especially to consider the resignation of Miss Elliot, which had been handed in. The resignation was accepted and Miss Cassie M. Cheese, of The Dalles, elected to fill the vacancy. It is understood Miss Elliot has accepted a position in the public schools of Boise City, and as it is a better one than the one she held here, the board granted her request to leave. Miss Elliot is from the East, and has been teaching in The Dalles schools since last September. Miss Cheese has taught in this country for several years, having been engaged in teaching the school near Floyds, on 3-Mile, for some time.

A. E. Kilpatrick, of Fillmore, Cal., had the misfortune to have his leg caught between a cart and a stone and badly bruised. Ordinarily he would have been laid up for two or three weeks, but says: "After using one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm I began to feel better, and in three days was entirely well. The peculiar soothing qualities which Chamberlain's Pain Balm possesses I have never noticed in any other liniment. I take pleasure in recommending it." This liniment is also of great value for rheumatism and lame back. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton, Druggist.

The services at St. Pauls church yesterday were largely attended, there being many visitors present from the other city churches. The choir was augmented by a number of singers from other choirs and the singing was exceptionally fine, the solo by Mrs. Price being much appreciated. Rev. Mr. Goss preached an excellent sermon, after which the Holy Communion was administered. Mr. Goss stated that he was sorry no rector had been secured for the church in The Dalles but thought that in a very short time one would be. Mr. Goss returned to his home near Milton last evening. The members of the St. Pauls congregation feel very grateful to him for his kindness in coming to conduct the Christmas services for them.

scrofula

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